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FM AMEMBASSY ISLAMABAD

TO AMEMBASSY KABUL

INFO SECSTATE WASHDC 5726

AMCONSUL KARACHI

AMCONSUL LAHORE

C O N F I D E N T I A L ISLAMABAD 6624

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ETRN, PFOR, AF, PK

SUBJ: ARIANA-PIA DISPUTE

REF: KABUL 4297

IN LIGHT YOUR REFTEL YOU WILL BE INTERESTED KNOW  
THAT AFGHAN AMBASSADOR ALI AHMED POPAL, WHO HAS BEEN  
HERE ALMOST FIVE YEARS, ASKED ECON COUNSELOR SEE HIM AT  
HIS RESIDENCE TO DISCUSS DISPUTE. DURING CONVERSATION  
POPAL CONFESSED HE WAS PRIVATELY WORRIED THAT IF ARIANA'S  
ILLEGAL DISCOUNT SELLING PRACTICES WERE IN FACT TRUE HIS  
GOVERNMENT WOULD SUPPRESS THIS FROM PUBLIC AND TRY  
EXPLAIN PROBLEM AS SOLELY CAUSED BY GOP. HE SAID HE HAD  
SENT MESSAGE AND ONE OF HIS STAFF MEMBERS TO KABUL URING  
GOA TO RESIST TEMPTATION TURN ISSUE INTO POLITICAL ISSUE  
AND A NEWSPAPER WAR. HE HAD RECOMMENDED KABUL IGNORE  
DISTORTED PAKISTANI PRESS PRONOUNCEMENTS AND INSTEAD  
INVITE PIA CHAIRMAN NUR KHAN TO SIT DOWN WITH AFGHAN  
CIVIL AUTHORITIES AND WORK OUT NEW BILATERAL AIR ARRANGE-  
MENT SATISFACTORY TO BOTH SIDES. THERE WERE ENOUGH  
PROBLEMS HE SAID BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES WITHOUT  
ADDING THIS ONE TO THEM. ECON COUNSELOR CONCURED.  
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